



## 2011-2012 COACH CODE OF CONDUCT

FC Briarcliff is committed to serving the youth of our community and those who play under our banner. Beyond our basic mission of educating youth about the game of soccer, we strive to make each child's experience a rewarding one. This is best accomplished in a supportive environment that acknowledges each child's success. The Club seeks to accomplish this goal by emphasizing positive reinforcement, teamwork, tolerance, cooperation and personal responsibility. Therefore, we expect all our members to demonstrate respect for teammates, coaches, opponents, officials, the facilities we use and the game of soccer.

As a coach FC Briarcliff, I agree to the following:

- I will remember that players play to have fun and must be encouraged to have confidence in themselves.
- I will remember that all participants need a coach they can respect. I will be generous with praise and set a good example.
- I will ensure that all players receive equal instruction and support.
- I will teach my players to play fairly, respect the rules of the game, referees and opponents.
- At all times I will show respect for players, parents, opponents and officials
- I will encourage parents to attend practices and games and to assist in non-instructional activities.
- I will work in cooperation with the referee for the benefit of the game.
- I will be selective in the instruction I give players during the game.
- I will honor my commitments.
- I will not allow my team to play when an official deems that the equipment / facilities are unsafe.
- I realize my team is only permitted to play on facilities that are insured through our State Association and facilities sanctioned and insured by other USSF entities. I realize that I am responsible for complying with this requirement
- I realize that my team may only participate in sanctioned USSF events.
- I realize that I am responsible for obtaining the appropriate authorizations for these events outside of Club or League play.
- I will be responsible for any fine I, or the Club may incur due to my actions.
- I will comply with all rules and guidelines established by the Club, League and other parent organizations.
- I recognize that I may be held responsible by the referee, Club and League for the conduct of my team (coaches, players and parents).
- I will dress appropriately at all games and practices.
- Infractions that occur during the game are governed by the "Laws of the Game" and will be decided by the referee. This may result in a caution (yellow card) or "send off" (red card) which could result in further disciplinary action by the Club, League or State Association.
- Certain serious infractions (referee assault, abuse, etc.) may result in a hearing from the appropriate organization and could lead to a prolonged suspension from soccer.
- I will be reasonable when rescheduling games and practices, remembering that players and their families have other obligations.
- I will be on time to games and practices.
- I will obtain proper training and upgrade my coaching skills and knowledge of the game at least to the standards established by the Club.
- I will inform parents / guardians of any injuries their children may have suffered.

I have read the Code of Conduct detailed above and by signing below, I agree I understand what I have read and will abide by the terms in this document.

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Signature of Coach

Date

Print Name of Coach